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Title: Curtain Suspension Device :  
And A Method Of Suspending :  
Curtains :  
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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF  
TELEPHONE INTERVIEW WITH EXAMINER

The undersigned conducted telephone interviews with Examiner Mah regarding the above identified patent application on both March 14, 2007 and March 21, 2007. A "Statement Of Substance Of Telephone Interview With Examiner" regarding the March 21, 2007 telephone interview was filed in the Patent & Trademark Office on March 29, 2007.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below.

  
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The undersigned did not receive a copy of the "Interview Summary" relating to the March 14, 2007 telephone interview until it was mailed together with the Notice of Allowance on April 3, 2007. The amendments to the claims referred to in the "Interview Summary" referring to the March 14, 2007 telephone interview (as reflected in the Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowance) were superseded by the Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowability mailed on March 23, 2007. Apparently the incorrect (earlier) Examiner's Amendment was attached to the Notice of Allowance, since the Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowability mailed on March 23, 2007 superseded the earlier Examiner's Amendment.

The undersigned confirms that he agreed to the revisions identified in the Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowability dated March 23, 2007, and this Examiner's Amendment supersedes the earlier Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowance mailed on April 3, 2007.

In the Interview Summary regarding the telephone interview dated March 14, 2007, the Examiner states that an agreement was reached to amend Claims 1 and 8 "in order to avoid an alleged rejection in view of CH 648487 A5." Although Applicant agreed to amend Claims 1 and 8 for the purpose of expediting the issuance of the patent, in Applicant's opinion, the amendments reflected in the Examiner's Amendment (attached to the Notice of Allowability mailed on March 23, 2007), were not necessary to

distinguish the claims over the Swiss patent. Applicant notes that the present United States application is the United States National Phase of International Patent Appl. PCT/SE03/00813. The Swiss patent (CH 648487 A5) was cited in the International Search Report issued in connection with the corresponding PCT application in Category A, indicating that the Swiss patent was not considered to be of particular relevance to the claims of the corresponding PCT application, but was cited only as generally defining the background state of the art.

In any event, Applicant hereby confirms that the undersigned agreed to the revisions made to the claims, as set forth in the Examiner's Amendment attached to the Notice of Allowability dated March 23, 2007.

The Interview Summary dated April 8, 2007, mailed on April 17, 2007, in which the Examiner confirms that a copy of the Supplemental Notice of Allowability was mailed, is also accurate.

Respectfully submitted,



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